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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/720,086; § 371 Date: July 23, 2001
For: ***De novo DNA Cytosine Methyltransferase
Genes, Polypeptides and Uses Thereof***
Inventors: Li *et al.*
Our Ref: 0609.4560002/KRM/DJN

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal Form;
2. United States Patent and Trademark Office Credit Card Payment Form;
3. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d);
4. Form PTO-1449 citing two documents (AS16 and AT16);
5. Copies of the two documents as listed on Form PTO-1449; and
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Respectfully submitted,

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Small Entity
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Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200 100
Multiple dependent claims	360 180

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- 20 or HP	= _____	x _____	= _____	Fee (\$)

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 13, 2004 in connection with the above-captioned application. Copies of the documents are submitted.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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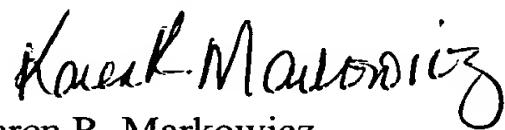
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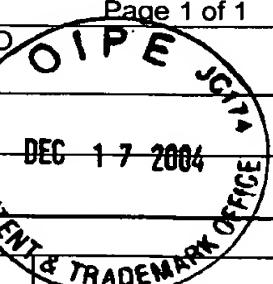
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